

L.12 UNACCEPTABLE OFFER TRANSMISSION METHODS

Submission of telegraphic (including mailgrams), telefax, or e-mail offers are not authorized.

L.13 AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSALS

Any changes to a proposal made by the Offeror after its initial submittal shall be accomplished by replacement pages. Changes from the original page shall be indicated on the outside margin by vertical lines adjacent to the change. The Offeror shall include the date of the amendment on the lower right corner of the changed pages.

L.14 FINAL PROPOSAL REVISION

Upon completion of negotiations, all Offerors still within the competitive range will be requested to submit a final proposal revision. Following evaluation of final proposal revisions, the Offeror whose proposal is most advantageous to the Government, considering the evaluation factors specified in Section M, will be selected for contract award.

L.15 SUBCONTRACTING SUPPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 95-507

(a) Small and small disadvantaged businesses are encouraged to participate as prime contractors or as members of joint ventures with other small businesses. All interested contractors are reminded that the successful contractor will be expected to place subcontracts to the maximum practicable extent with small and small disadvantaged firms in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 95-507 and Subpart 19.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(b) The following are the minimum goals for this acquisition:

1. Subcontracts to small business firms ---- 15.0%
2. Subcontracts to **Small Disadvantage Business Concerns** ---10.0%
3. Subcontracts to women-owned businesses --- 3.0%
4. Subcontracts to disabled veteran-owned business ---1%

These goals are considered to be minimum goals for NOAA's subcontracts not ceiling goals or maximum goals.

L.16 HUBZONE SUBCONTRACTING GOALS

(A) The Historically Underutilized Business Zones (HUBZones) Act of 1997 created the HUBZone Program. The purpose of this program is to provide federal contracting assistance for qualified small business concerns located in historically underutilized business zones in an effort to increase employment opportunities, investments, and economic development in these areas. Only those contractors listed on the Small Business Administration's PRO-Net site (<http://www.sba.gov>) at the